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SUBJ: RHODESIA: NKOMO ON MALTA MEETING

AT ZAPU PRESIDENT JOSHUA NKOMO' PRESS CONFERENCE JANUARY
25 THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT WAS HANDED TO THE PRESS:

QUOTE:

J.M. NKOMO - PRESIDENT ZAPU

1. AS WE ARE PROCEEDING TO MALTA AT THE INVITATION OF THE
BRITISH FOREIGN SECRETARY, DR. DAVID OWEN, I THOUGHT I
SHOULD OUTLINE A FEW POINTS ON CURRENT ISSUES AFFECTING
ZIMBABWE.

2. I WOULD LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT WE ARE GOING TO MALTA
TO GET CLARIFICATION FROM DR. DAVID OWEN AS TO WHAT
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DIRECTION THE BRITISH GOVERNEMENT IS TAKING REGARDING
SOLUTION OF THE RHODESIAN PROBLEM IN VIEW OF THEIR
HESTITATION IN RESPECT OF THEIR OWN OWN PROPOSALS.
UPON OUR SATISFICATION NEGOTIATIONS CAN THEN START ON THE
QUESTION OF ZIMBABWE'S INDEPENDENCE.

3. I MUST RE-EMPHASIZE THAT ALL CONSIDERATIONS OF THE

RHODESIAN PROBLEM MUST BE WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF WAR SITUATION. A CEASE-FIRE, IF IT EVER COMES, CAN ONLY BE A CONSEQUENCE OF AN ABSOLUTE GUARANTEE OF THE CERTAINTY OF INDEPENDENCE. THE PATRIOTIC LIBERATION FORCES MUST PROVIDE THAT GUARANTEE.

4. A FEW DAYS AGO THE RHODESIAN REGIME ISSUED PAMPHLETS OFFERING AMNESTY TO OUR GUERRILLAS. IT HAS DONE SO BEFORE AND FAILED. WE REJECT THE OFFER WITH CONTEMPT. THE WAR MUST GO ON.
THE ONLY PEOPLE SMITH IS CAPABLE OF OFFERING AMNESTY TO IS THE TREACHEROUS "GANG OF THREE" HE IS PRESENTLY NEGOTIATING WITH.
END QUOTE.

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